



# The Johannesburg Bach Choir

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Dear Choir Members

It is with a certain amount of awe that I face the daunting task of trying to behave like a chairman to our illustrious Johannesburg Bach Choir. **Thank you** for the confidence you have placed in me. It is going to be tough to follow in the footsteps of **management geniuses** like Ken Fuller, Dave Kinghorn, Kathy Whiteley and Sydney, to name but a few. I'll try.

Please feel free to **speak to me** about any issue you may have regarding the Choir. Our members are, after all, our most important asset, and it is therefore important that they be kept happy (Sorry, Tim, I know you're in there too). I don't promise to right all wrongs, but I do promise to do my best to keep the Choir positive. **You can reach me** on [doofer@mweb.co.za](mailto:doofer@mweb.co.za) or on 011 682 2776.

I have decided to re-introduce the Choir **newsletter** (by popular demand), even though the Choir seemed to function quite well without it. There's one difference though: after this first one, future newsletters will be delivered in **electronic form** and only members who do not have email will be entitled to a paper copy. Please pass your **email address** on to either Pam Werrell, our Membership Secretary, or to me. And please make sure that the address is not one at which your love-partner, spouse, children or sysadmin will just delete your mail.

Newsletters will also be made available on our **website**, [www.jhbbachchoir.t35.com](http://www.jhbbachchoir.t35.com). If you haven't visited it yet, now would be a good time to do so. As of writing it hasn't been updated yet.

Our **next concert (all-Rutter)** will take place as follows:

Sunday, 6 November 2011 at 15:00 (3 pm)  
St Martin's-in-the-Veld, Dunkeld

You will observe that we have **less than two months** to go! Please make sure that you attend all rehearsals. Remember the 75% rule! Tickets and blurb sheets will be made available shortly, as will posters. This is going to be a marvellous and heady distillation of John Rutter's works, an event not to be missed. Tell your family and friends about this concert NOW.

Future events which are pretty much cast in concrete are:

- **Christmas concert** for the **Moria Old Age Home** in Krugersdorp on Friday, 2 December 2011 at 11:00. This probably will include lunch. I realise that many people would normally be working at this time, but the show of hands the other day indicated that there were plenty of members who were in the position to manage their own time.
- **Readings and Carols** on 17 December at St Martin's-in-the-Veld (venue to be confirmed). Note the auspicious date – almost Beethoven's birthday.

More news will follow shortly. Watch this space.

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Chairman